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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Ari HINKKANEN

Serial No. 09/015,399

Filed: 29 January 1998

For: A NEW FUSION PROTEIN AND

ITS USE IN AN IMMUNOASSAY

FOR THE SIMULTANEOUS

DETECTION OF AUTOANTIBODIES

RELATED TO INSULIN-DEPENDENT

DIABETES MELLITUS

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed 11 May 1999 for the above-identified application, Applicants hereby elect for prosecution the fusion protein species of claim 3, and the cDNA encoding it.

Respectfully submitted,

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